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This Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action of May 18, 2007 and to the Decision on Appeal of June 16, 2009, with a shortened statutory period set to expire on August 16, 2009. This paper is filed within the set period for response such that no extension of time is necessary. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is filed herewith. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0413.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.